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MEDIA RELEASE

Sheriff's Deputies Successfully Deescalate Armed Man Who Barricaded Self, Without Using Force

On January 12, 2022, at approximately 4:15 a.m., Lake County Sheriff's Deputies were dispatched to the 18600 block of West Wright Road, Unincorporated Grayslake, for an aggravated assault with a firearm.

Sheriff's deputies arrived and learned the victim is an acquaintance of Gregory Bradshaw, 33, of the 2700 block of Gabriel Avenue, Zion. Bradshaw and the victim were living in the same residence. Bradshaw took the victim's vehicle from her residence, without her knowledge, and went to a home in the 18600 block of Wright Road, Unincorporated Grayslake. The victim went to the residence in Unincorporated Grayslake to retrieve her vehicle and was confronted by Bradshaw. During the confrontation, Bradshaw brandished a pistol and pointed it at the victim. Bradshaw then fled in the victim's vehicle.

Sheriff's deputies located Bradshaw as he returned to his residence in the 2700 block of Gabriel Avenue. Sheriff's deputies conducted a high-risk traffic stop on Bradshaw, but Bradshaw ignored the instructions of sheriff's deputies and remained non-compliant, barricaded in the vehicle.

Sheriff's negotiators were requested to respond to the scene. Sheriff's deputies and sheriff's negotiators communicated with Bradshaw for nearly two hours. After two hours of communication, he eventually exited the car and was taken into custody without any force being necessary.

A loaded firearm and a spare magazine were recovered from the vehicle.

Bradshaw was transported to the sheriff's criminal investigations division and subsequently charged with:

Two Counts of Aggravated Unlawful Use of a Weapon
Two Counts of Unlawful Possession of a Firearm by a Felon
Two Counts of Aggravated Assault

Resisting Arrest

Unlawful Possession of Ammunition

Sheriff John D. Idleburg said, “Yet again, the high-level of training our sheriff’s deputies receive paid off. Working as a team, they deescalated a very tense situation and this individual was taken into custody without any deputies being injured and without force being needed. I am very proud of the work of all my staff on the scene of this incident and thankful for the assistance Zion Police Department provided.”

Bradshaw is due to appear at an initial court hearing today.

All defendants are presumed innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law.

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